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**Identical letters dated 6 June 2002 from the Permanent Observer
of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-
General and the President of the Security Council**

Overnight, Israeli occupying forces reoccupied parts of the Palestinian city of Ramallah, raiding and attacking the headquarters of the President of the Palestinian Authority, Mr. Yasser Arafat. The military assault lasted for six hours, during which tanks shelled the offices of the President and Israeli occupying forces blew up at least three buildings in the presidential compound. The sleeping quarters of the President were damaged by the shelling and machine gun fire, revealing that the Israeli raid clearly endangered his life. Actually, a member of the presidential guard was killed by the occupying forces and 15 other people were injured.

The international community must condemn this latest criminal and extremely dangerous Israeli action in the strongest terms. What occurred overnight in Ramallah is yet additional proof of the real intention of the government of Mr. Ariel Sharon, which aims at dragging us all back to a pre-Oslo situation, effectively destroying the Palestinian Authority and preventing the achievement of a final settlement between the two sides.

The Security Council bears special responsibility with regard to the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, not the least because Israel continues to flout the Council's most recent resolutions, including resolutions 1402 (2002) and 1403 (2002), and has yet to implement them. As Israel continues to perpetrate such dangerous and destructive actions, including war crimes and State and settler terrorism, immediate intervention by the Council has become imperative for bringing an end to these Israeli actions and for ensuring the implementation of the above-mentioned Security Council resolutions.

In follow-up to my previous 123 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, dated from 29 September 2000 to 4 June 2002 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068;



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S/2002/186; A/ES-10/150-S/2002/214; A/ES-10/151-S/2002/223; A/ES-10/152-
S/2002/232; A/ES-10/154-S/2002/242; A/ES-10/155-S/2002/248; A/ES-10/156-
S/2002/249; A/ES-10/157-S/2002/253; A/ES-10/158-S/2002/258; A/ES-10/159-
S/2002/281; A/ES-10/160-S/2002/307; A/ES-10/161-S/2002/319; A/ES-10/162-
S/2002/330; A/ES-10/163-S/2002/340; A/ES-10/164-S/2002/353; A/ES-10/165-
S/2002/356; A/ES-10/166-S/2002/370; A/ES-10/167-S/2002/433; A/ES-10/168-
S/2002/474; A/ES-10/169-S/2002/495; A/ES-10/173-S/2002/536; A/ES-10/174-
S/2002/555; A/ES-10/175-S/2002/610 and A/ES-10/176-S/2002/617), I regret to
inform you that the Palestinian martyr mentioned above raises the total number of
Palestinian martyrs killed by Israeli occupying forces since 28 September 2000 to
1,600 people.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter
and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the
General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nasser Al-Kidwa
Ambassador

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

**Annex to the identical letters dated 6 June 2002 from the
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed
to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Name of martyr killed by Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied
Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem***
(Thursday, 6 June 2002)

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Tariq Saeed Khandakji

* The total number of Palestinian martyrs killed by Israeli occupying forces since 28 September 2000 is 1,600.

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**Letter dated 6 June 2002 from the Permanent Representative
of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the President
of the Security Council**

I am writing to you in your capacity as President of the Security Council for the month of June following yesterday's gruesome terrorist attack in northern Israel, in which a terrorist detonated a car packed with explosives alongside a public bus, killing 17 young Israelis and wounding more than 40 others. In recent weeks, in the face of a renewed wave of terrorist attacks, Israel has exercised tremendous restraint in order to maximize the potential of the diplomatic efforts currently under way.

Yesterday's bombing was a deliberate attack on a civilian target that aimed to claim as many innocent lives as possible. As the Council itself has affirmed in resolutions 1269 (1999), 1373 (2001) and others, there can never be a justification for the wilful targeting of civilians. In the words of the Secretary-General, "There can be no acceptance of those who would seek to justify the deliberate taking of innocent civilian life, regardless of cause or grievance. If there is one universal principle that all peoples can agree on, surely it is this."

The claim of responsibility for the attack came from the headquarters of Islamic Jihad, a terrorist organization committed to the destruction of the State of Israel that is based in the Syrian capital of Damascus. Islamic Jihad, along with the Lebanon-based Hizbullah, are but two of the numerous internationally recognized terrorist groups to which the Syrian Government has long provided safe haven and financial and logistical support.

Israel is appalled that a member of the Security Council continues to lend its support to organizations committed to the deliberate murder of civilians. Such actions stand in clear violation of the Council's own resolutions, which mandate that States must prevent their territory from lending any support, financial or otherwise, to terrorist organizations.

Moreover, yesterday's attack comes at the precise moment that Syria holds the rotating Presidency of the Council and at a time when the fight against terrorism is at the top of the Council's agenda. It is astounding that Syria is brazenly supporting attempts to subvert the anti-terrorist objectives of an international body of which it itself is President. The international community must demand that the Government of Syria immediately halt its support for the terrorist groups to which it grants safe harbour in its territory and abide scrupulously by its international obligations and the resolutions of the Security Council.



I should be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Yehuda **Lancry**
Permanent Representative



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Letter dated 23 May 2002 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to inform you that, having completed the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint Ms. Heidi Tagliavini (Switzerland) as my Special Representative for Georgia and Head of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG), effective 1 July 2002.

Ms. Tagliavini will succeed Mr. Dieter Boden in these functions. I wish to take this opportunity to place on record my deep appreciation for Mr. Boden's tireless efforts to advance the Georgian-Abkhaz peace process and for his dynamic leadership of UNOMIG.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan





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Letter dated 7 June 2002 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 23 May 2002 (S/2002/643) concerning your intention to appoint Ms. Heidi Tagliavini (Switzerland) as your Special Representative for Georgia and Head of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG) has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They take note of the intention contained in your letter.

(Signed) Mikhail **Wehbe**
President of the Security Council

